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President: Mr. Percaya (Vice-President) ..... (Indonesia)

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In the absence of Mr. Koterec (Slovakia), President, Mr. Percaya (Indonesia), Vice-President, took the Chair.

The meeting was called to order at 11.20 a.m.

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Draft decision E/2012/L.40: Theme for the 2013 thematic discussion of the Economic and Social Council (continued)

1. **The President** invited the Council to resume consideration of the draft decision submitted by the President of the Council for 2012, Mr. Koterec (Slovakia), who had proposed the theme of the contribution of the Economic and Social Council to the elaboration of the post-2015 development agenda as a principal body for policy review, policy dialogue and recommendations on issues of economic and social development and for the follow-up of the Millennium Development Goals. He took it that the Council wished to adopt the draft decision, which contained no programme budget implications.

2. *Draft decision E/2012/L.40 was adopted.*

3. **Mr. Beviglia Zampetti** (Observer for the European Union), speaking also on behalf of the acceding country Croatia, said that the European Union and its member States were of the opinion that the Council should focus on reviewing its activities and discussions from 2012 and assessing how it had contributed to the follow-up and implementation of internationally agreed development goals, notably the Millennium Development Goals. Those lessons learned would be instrumental in shaping the Council's role in the post-2015 development agenda and provide significant input to events to be held in 2013 to follow up efforts to achieve the Millennium Development Goals. The thematic discussion could be followed by a substantial discussion on the post-2015 development agenda at the Council's substantive session in 2014.

The meeting rose at 11.25 a.m.